

What is claimed is:

1. An electronic apparatus comprising:
  - a file I/O unit which inputs and outputs a  
5 file;
  - a file storage unit which stores a file;
  - a processing unit which stores the file input  
from the file I/O unit into the file storage unit  
in conformity with a predefined processing rule;
  - 10 and
  - an additional processing instruction unit  
which forces the processing unit to execute a  
predefined additional processing corresponding  
to a file type when an instruction of the  
15 additional processing is determined.
2. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein
  - the file I/O unit inputs a file from a medium  
20 connected directly or via an adaptor to a medium  
connection port of the apparatus.
3. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein
  - 25 the file I/O unit inputs an image file or a  
music file.

4. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein

the processing unit stores the input file in  
a domain of the file storage unit corresponding  
5 to each file type.

5. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein

the processing unit generates a file name for  
10 each of the input files and stores the input files  
with file names imparted to domains of the file  
storage unit corresponding to the file types.

6. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
15 1, wherein

the processing unit divides inside of the  
domains of the file storage unit corresponding to  
the file types into dated domains based on date  
information of the input files to store the input  
20 files.

7. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein

the processing unit generates a file name for  
25 each of the input files, divides inside of the  
domains of the file storage unit corresponding to  
file types into dated domains based on date

information of the input files, sorts and stores the input files by date with the file names imparted thereto.

- 5     8.    The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein

          the processing unit generates file names with serial numbers added to the date information of the input files, divides inside of the domains of  
10   the file storage unit corresponding to file types into dated domains, sorts and stores the input files by date with the file names imparted thereto.

- 15   9.    The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein

          the electronic apparatus is a server, and wherein

          the additional processing instruction unit  
20   recognizes and handles an instruction of additional processing from manipulation of a switch disposed on the apparatus.

10. The electronic apparatus according to claim  
25   7, wherein the electronic apparatus is a server, and wherein

          the additional processing instruction unit

recognizes and handles an instruction of additional processing from the client.

11. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the electronic apparatus is a server, and wherein

when the input file is an image file, the additional processing instruction unit forces the processing unit to print out by the printer.

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12. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein

the electronic apparatus is a server, and wherein

15 when the input file is a music file, the additional processing instruction unit forces the processing unit to play back music by the client.

20 13. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the electronic apparatus is a server, and wherein

when the input file is a music file, the additional processing instruction unit forces the processing unit to generate a play list and send it with the music file to a music electronic apparatus.

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14. A processing method comprising:

a file input step of inputting a file;

5 a file storage step of storing the input file  
into the file storage unit in conformity with a  
predefined processing rule corresponding to a  
file type; and

an additional processing step of, when the  
instruction of the additional processing is  
10 determined, effecting on the input file  
predefined additional processing corresponding  
to the file type.

15 15. The processing method according to claim 14,  
wherein

the file storage step includes generating a  
file name for each of the input files, dividing  
inside of domains of the file storage unit  
corresponding to file types into dated domains  
20 based on date information of the input files, and  
sorting and storing the input files by date with  
the file names imparted thereto.

25 16. The processing method according to claim 14,  
wherein

the electronic apparatus is a server, and  
wherein

the additional processing step includes,  
when the input file is an image file, forcing a  
printer connected to the server to print out, and  
wherein

5       the additional processing step includes,  
when the input file is a music file, forcing a  
client connected to the server to play back music.

17. A program operable to cause a computer to  
10 execute:

      a file input step of inputting a file;  
      a file storage step of storing the input file  
into the file storage unit in conformity with a  
predefined processing rule corresponding to a  
15 file type; and

      an additional processing step of, when the  
instruction of the additional processing is  
determined, effecting on the input file  
predefined additional processing corresponding  
20 to the file type.

18. The program according to claim 17, wherein  
      the file storage step includes generating a  
file name for each of the input files, dividing  
25 inside of domains of the file storage unit  
corresponding to file types into dated domains  
based on date information of the input files, and

sorting and storing the input files by date with the file names imparted thereto.

19. The program according to claim 17, wherein
- 5       the additional processing step includes, when the input file is an image file, forcing a printer connected to the server to print out, and wherein
- 10       the additional processing step includes, when the input file is a music file, forcing a client connected to the server to play back music.